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**Response to Notice of Noncompliant Amendment**

Responsive to the Notice of Noncompliant Amendment mailed 10/03/2005, Applicant submits the following in complete response thereto, and requests reconsideration of the Claims presented.

**Claims**

Applicant submits herewith a replacement listing of Claims, each showing proper status identifier.

**Extension of Time**

This response is filed within one month of the end of the one month response period set forth in the Notice. The original amendment was a non-final amendment; accordingly an extension of time is available. Applicant petitions for a one month extension of time, and requests that the \$60 fee (at the applicable small entity rate) be charged to deposit account **502443**.

Respectfully submitted,

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